### BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

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### CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE NATURE IN NEIGHBORHOODS CAPITAL **GRANTS REVIEW COMMITTEE**

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-4318** 

Introduced by Council President Hughes

WHEREAS, Metro Code 2.19.230 establishes the Nature in Neighborhoods Grants Review Committee whose members are to be appointed by the Metro Council President subject to confirmation by the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council confirmed the appointments of the original committee by Metro Council Resolution No. 07-3879 ("Confirming the Appointment of Members to the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee"), adopted Nov. 1, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council most recently confirmed the reappointment of members to the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee and added an additional member to the position of Water Quality Specialist by Metro Council Resolution No. 09-4096 ("Confirming the Reappointment of Members to the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee and Appointing a New Person In The Water Quality Specialist Position"), adopted Dec. 10, 2009; and

WHEREAS, certain committee members have since completed their term of service, and two new members, a Metro Councilor and a new Metro Natural Resources staff member have been invited to serve on the committee; and

WHEREAS, three current committee members wish to be reappointed to the committee;

WHEREAS, the Council President desires to appoint two new members, a Metro Councilor and a new Metro Natural Resources staff member to the committee, and to reappoint three current members to the committee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Metro Council confirms the appointments to the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee, as set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council thi	s/2 day of JA NUARY 2012.
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#### Exhibit A to Resolution No. 12-4318

#### Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee

#### **Committee Member Confirmations**

The following persons shall fill positions that are not term-limited:

Carl Hosticka	Metro Councilor, District 3
Shirley Craddick	Metro Councilor, District 1
Brian Vaughn	Metro Senior Natural Resources Scientist

The following person shall serve two-year terms, and be eligible thereafter to serve one additional twoyear term:

Michael W. Zilis, LA	Community Representative	, Principal, Walker Macy
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The following person shall serve a one-year term, and be eligible thereafter to serve two additional two year terms:

Steve Yarosh	Community Representative, member of Natural Areas Program
	Performance Oversight Committee

The following persons have served an initial one-year term and one two-year term, and are being appointed and confirmed for their final two-year term, which commenced November 2010 and shall end October 2012:

Sue Marshall	Committee Chair, Water Quality Specialist
Todd Alsbury	Fish biologist, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

The following person has served one two-year term, and is being appointed and confirmed for her final two-year term, which commenced December 2011 and shall expire November 2013:

Gayle Killam

River Network, Water Quality Specialist

## **STAFF REPORT**

# IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-4318, CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE NATURE IN NEIGHBORHOODS CAPITAL GRANTS REVIEW COMMITTEE

Date: Jan. 10, 2012

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## BACKGROUND

The Natural Areas Bond Measure provides \$15 million for a Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Program to provide local organizations and public entities with additional funds for land acquisition and projects that protect and enhance natural resources in the urban environment.

The Metro Council created a new Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee in November 2007. The Capital Grants Review Committee consists of members appointed by the Council President and confirmed by the Metro Council.

Members of the committee hail from all areas of the region and a variety of technical and professional disciplines, including water quality specialists, community representatives, a fish biologist, and a landscape architect.

The grant review committee reviews grant applications with the support and due diligence of Metro staff and makes recommendations for funding to the Metro Council. The Metro Council awards all grants under this program.

This Resolution confirms the reappoint of three current committee members. In addition, it confirms the appointment of new members to the committee, including a Metro Councilor, the Metro natural resources staff member and two members representing the community, including a community member also serving on the Natural Areas Program Citizen Oversight Committee.

## ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

#### 1. Known Opposition

None.

## 2. Legal Antecedents

Metro Resolution No. 06-3672B, "For the Purpose of Submitting to the Voters of the Metro Area a General Obligation Bond Indebtedness in the Amount of \$227.4 Million to Fund Natural Area Acquisition and Water Quality Protection," approved by the Metro Council on March 9, 2006.

Metro Code Section 2.19.230, "Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee," which section establishes the purpose, authority, and member appointment process for the committee.

Metro Resolution No. 07-3879, "Confirming the Appointment of Members to the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee," approved by the Metro Council on November 1, 2007.

Metro Resolution No. 07-3874, "Confirming the Appointment of the Chair of the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee," approved by the Metro Council on December 6, 2007.

Metro Resolution No. 09-4027, "Confirming the Reappointment of Members to the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee, Designating the Chair, and Appointing a New Metro Natural Resources Staff Person," adopted on February 19, 2009.

Metro Resolution No. 09-4096, "Confirming the Reappointment of Members to the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee and Appointing a New Person In The Water Quality Specialist Position," approved by the Metro Council on December 10, 2009.

## 3. Anticipated Effects

By approving resolution 12-4318, the Metro Council will confirm the reappointment of three committee members whose terms have expired but who wish to continue serving, and will appoint a Metro Councilor, Metro staff member and three new community members to the committee. The expertise of these committee members helps ensure that the Metro Council awards grant funds to projects that best meet the goals and objectives of the Natural Areas Bond Measure.

# 4. **Budget Impacts**

There are no budget impacts.

# **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution No. 12-4318.